

The topics most general interest treated by Governor Sawyer of New Hampshire in his inaugural address are Insurance, Savings Banks, Labor and Temperance. The first topic becomes interesting by reason of the valued policy law which has now been in operation for about two years—or long enough to give a pretty good idea of its workings. The Governor neither commends nor condemns the law in terms, but he sharply criticizes the withdrawal in a body of the fire insurance companies as an attempt to coerce the State into the wholely unpopular theory that the State has got to take care of itself without them, and he does not suggest that any measures be taken to get them back. To prevent over insurance in the future, however, he suggests that the insurer's liability shall not exceed three-quarters of

oul grows blunted; life becomes a state of mere barren vegetating. Man feels then like some time-worn, mouldered ruin, which no longer asserts with the world of the living.

Joe Welch, 11 years old, has arrived in Helena, Mont., from county Armagh, Ireland, after travelling all the way alone. He had a tag pinned on his coat labelled, "Send this boy to Helena, Montana, and be good to him. He is an orphan." Although the boy talks little but Irish Gaelic, he understands English well enough to tell his story. He would go astray while in transit from the steamer to the railroad, and coach to vessel, but he was rescued by a good Samaritan.

The proverb that murder will out is curiously illustrated by the conviction of Leon Swarengen among the Missouri bald-knobs. The only evidence against him was that of the wife of a man who was whipped.

on a search and seizure complaint. Today they tried it again but Stephen refused to let them in as they did not bring their warrant. One officer watched the house while the other returned for the warrant and the warrant officer told Stephen to leave himself emptying a whole barrel of beer out upon his floor. The police took him and the deputy back to the station and propose to make it hot for him.

The Lowest Bids from Maine.

Six bids for furnishing the white dressed granite for the new Boston court house were opened Thursday. The bids were Sweet & Co., \$103,000; C. A. Ann Grant Granite Company, Boston, \$129,000; Granite Company, \$105,000; Granite Railway Company, Boston, \$107,000; Davis Tillson, Rockland, \$88,500; W. S. White, Rockland, \$98,700. The contract has not yet been awarded.

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